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SUBJ: SALE OF RESIDUAL RIGHTS TO MAP MATERIEL

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1. ARMY SECTION, US DEL JBUSMC HAS HAD MAJOR SYSTEMATIC JOINT SURVEY UNDERWAY WITH BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES DURING LAST 14 MONTHS TO DETERMINE QUANTITY AND TYPES MAP MATERIEL HELD BY BRAZILIAN ARMY. SURVEY SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN NEXT FEW MONTHS. AIR FORCE AND NAVY MAP MATERIEL SURVEYS WILL BE INITIATED UPON COMPLETION OF ARMY SURVEY AND AFTER A NUMBER OF PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN RESOLVED WITH U.S. AND BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES. THESE LATTER SURVEYS WILL REQUIRE MUCH LESS TIME THAN THE ARMY SURVEY, SINCE THE NUMBER OF LINE ITEMS IS CONSIDERABLY SMALLER. THE MISSION WILL NOT BE IN A POSITION TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF MATERIEL THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED FOR SALE OF RESIDUAL RIGHTS UNTIL THESE SURVEYS ARE COMPLETED, NOR CAN THE MISSION APPROACH THE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES ON THE MATTER OF THEIR PURCHASE OF THE RESIDUAL RIGHTS UNTIL SURVEYS ARE COMPLETED AND ANY DISCREPANCIES ARE RECONCILED. WE WISH TO ENSURE THAT BRAZILIAN COOPERATION IN CARRYING OUT SURVEYS NOT BE INFLUENCED BY CONSIDERATIONS ARISING FROM PROSPECT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NEGOTIATION FOR PURCHASE. IN ANY CASE, AMOUNT OF EQUIPMENT

BRAZILIANS MAY WISH TO CONSIDER FOR PURCHASE OF RESIDUAL RIGHTS WILL PROBABLY BE CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN THAT WHICH THE BRAZILIANS WISH TO WRITE OFF FOLLOWING ESTABLISHED DISPOSAL PROCEDURES. AS OF NOW, WE BELIEVE THE BRAZILIANS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING RESIDUAL RIGHTS FOR ONLY A LIMITED AMOUNT OF ARMY EQUIPMENT, AND POSSIBLY A RELATIVELY LARGER, BUT STILL LIMITED, AMOUNT OF AIR FORCE AND NAVY EQUIPMENT. IN SUM, WE BELIEVE THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PURCHASE OF RESIDUAL RIGHTS OF ONLY A FRACTION OF THE \$179 MILLION INDICATED IN REFTEL.

2. US DEL JBUSMC, WHICH ITSELF INITIATED THE ABOVE SURVEYS, WILL RAISE PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS REFERRED TO IN PARA 1 TO APPROPRIATE COMMAND LEVEL FOR DECISION IN NEAR FUTURE. US DEL JBUSMC WILL MAKE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON SURVEYS AS SOON AS PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE, BUT PROBABLY NOT BEFORE OCTOBER 1974. IN THIS CONTEXT, SURVEY TEAM REFERRED TO IN REFTEL WOULD BE OF NO PARTICULAR UTILITY AT THIS TIME, AND REQUEST FOR CIRCULAR 175 NEGOTIATING AUTHORITY WOULD BE PREMATURE.
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